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Appl. No.: 09/618,710

Art Unit: 2122

Applicant: Raph *et al.*

Examiner: Steelman, Mary J.

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Title: ACTIVE DATA TYPE
VARIABLE FOR USE IN
SOFTWARE ROUTINES THAT
FACILITATES CUSTOMIZATION
OF SOFTWARE ROUTINES AND
EFFICIENT TRIGGERING OF
VARIABLE PROCESSING

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The outstanding non-final Office Action mailed *January 14, 2004* (Paper No. 8) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 50-1078.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT Technology Center 2100

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail stop Non-Fee Amendments")
() Other: (fee \$)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$420.00	3RD MONTH \$950.00	4TH MONTH \$1480.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 50-1078. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date of Deposit: 03/10/2004

Typed Name: Evelyn Sanders

Signature: Evelyn Sanders

Respectfully submitted,

Darvin D. Raph et al.

By Glenn W. Brown

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Reg. No. 51,310

Date: 03/10/2004